

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY MANAMA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, BA

SUBJECT: REPLY TO CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM THE AMIR  
OF BAHRAIN TO PRESIDENT FORD ON HIS ASSUMPTION OF  
OFFICE

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT  
TO THE AMIR OF BAHRAIN.

2. BEGIN TEXT: YOUR HIGHNESS: THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE ON MY ASSUMPTION OF OFFICE AS PRESIDENT  
OF THE UNITED STATES. PLEASE BE ASSURED OF MY FULL  
COMMITMENT TO THE QUEST FOR WORLD PEACE AND INTERNATIONAL  
COOPERATION AND TO CONTINUED FRIENDSHIP AND CLOSE TIES  
BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD.  
END TEXT.

3. FYI: THE PRESIDENT RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING CONGRATU-  
LATORY MESSAGE FROM THE AMIR. BEGIN TEXT: MR. PRESIDENT:  
ON THIS THE OCCASION OF YOUR BECOMING THE THIRTY-EIGHTH  
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA MAY I EXTEND  
TO YOU MY WARMEST WISHES AND MOST SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS.  
I HOPE THAT IN THIS HIGH OFFICE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO LEAD  
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YOUR COUNTRY TO THE EXTENSION OF PEACE ABROAD AND TO PRO-

SPERITY AND HARMONY AT HOME AND IN YOUR TASK YOU WILL HAVE  
WITH YOU THE BEST WISHES OF MYSELF AND THE PEOPLE OF THE  
STATE OF BAHRAIN. PLEASE ACCEPT MR. PRESIDENT THE

ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. (SIGNED) ISA BIN  
SULMAN AL-KHALIFA, AMIR OF THE STATE OF BAHRAIN. END TEXT.

4. NEITHER THE DEPT NOR THE WHITE HOUSE PLAN TO RELEASE  
THE TEXT OF THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY BUT THEY HAVE NO  
OBJECTION TO ITS RELEASE BY THE RECIPIENT. KISSINGER

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